

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 93-135-C - ORDER NO. 93-862 ✓
SEPTEMBER 13, 1993

IN RE: Request of One Call Communications, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its Tariff to Provide Operator Services in Confinement Facilities.)ORDER)APPROVING)AMENDED)TARIFF
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the February 16, 1993 Tariff Filing of One Call Communications, Inc. DBA Opticom (One Call or the Company) requesting authority to provide its services to customer owned coin/coinless operated telephones located in confinement facilities. The requested authority would allow for the provision of Zero Plus Collect only to local, intraLATA, and interLATA calls by inmates in confinement facilities in South Carolina. The Tariff Filing was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-280 (1976 as amended) and the Regulations of the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

By letter dated March 16, 1993 the Commission's Executive Director instructed One Call to publish a prepared Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas one time. The purpose of the notice of filing was to inform interested

parties of One Call's Tariff Filing and the manner and time in which to file the appropriate pleadings for participation in the proceedings. One Call complied with this instruction and provided the Commission with notice of publication of the Notice of Filing. A Petition to Intervene was filed by the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs (the Consumer Advocate).

Subsequent to negotiations between the parties, on September 7, 1993, the Consumer Advocate notified the Commission that from his review, the Consumer Advocate has concluded that the filing of One Call was consistent with the Commission's prior Orders. Therefore, the Consumer Advocate would not participate in the hearing scheduled in the docket.

Subsequent to this letter, the Company moved for waiver of the hearing in the matter and the waiver is hereby granted. The Commission will proceed to rule on the tariff. Subsequent to the submission of a tariff on February 16, 1993 of One Call, One Call filed on September 2, 1993, an amended tariff, noting that One Call would not be carrying local operator-assisted collect calls under its requested authority. The Commission has examined this matter and believes that the amended filing of One Call should be approved as filed with the following instructions:

1. The rates charged for Zero Plus (collect calls) from confinement facilities on an intraLATA basis should be no more than the rates charged by the LEC for intraLATA calls at the time such call is completed.

2. The rates charged for Zero Plus (collect calls) from

confinement facilities on an interLATA basis should be no more than the rates charged for interLATA calls by AT&T Communications at the time such call is completed.

3. One Call is required to brand all calls so that it is the carrier of such calls to the call party.

4. A Zero Plus (collect call) should only be completed upon positive or affirmative acceptance of the charges from the call party. Passive acceptance is prohibited.

5. Call detail information submitted by One Call to the LEC's for billing must include the COCOT access line number assigned to the line by the local exchange company.

6. The bill provided to the called party should provide One Call's name and a toll free number for contacting One Call concerning any billing or service questions.

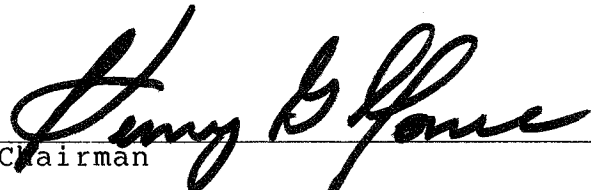
7. Should One Call decide to offer customer owned coin/coinless operated telephones in confinement facilities, it shall request a Certificate from the Commission to provide such service.

8. One Call shall continue to comply with any prior Commission Orders concerning any service provided by it,

including, but not limited to, access charges, price lists, and other matters.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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